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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am so pleased and excited to announce that we have managed to book our year five visit to Fairthorne Manor. Although the trip will not be an overnight residential as we would usually do, we believe that the children will thoroughly enjoy their two days of activities and gain so much from the experience. We anticipate that such a visit so early in the academic year will provide the children with opportunities to build strong friendships and class comradery through encouraging each other, as well as helping to develop pupils' team work and resilience skills.

The trip will take place on **Thursday 1st October** and **Friday 2nd October** and the children will participate in a total of six activities across the two days. Each class 'Bubble' will be split into two groups of 15 and these class 'Bubbles' will remain throughout the entire trip. We ask that pupils are dropped directly to Fairthorne Manor by **9:30am** each day, and collected at **4:00pm**. Please provide your child with a drink, packed lunch and a couple of snacks to keep them going between activities. One of the activities each day will include children getting wet - a change of clothes and old trainers/ water shoes and a towel are therefore vital each day, and should be carried, along with the children's drink and lunch, in a named bag or rucksack.

We recognise that the trip has been arranged at short notice and therefore are happy to accept payment in instalments via our SCOPAY system. The total cost for the two days is £50.00 per child. **We would like the full payment by Monday 19th October 2020, if this is a problem, please contact the school office.**

I hope you will agree that we are fortunate to be able to go ahead with this trip during such uncertain times, and that it is a great opportunity for your children to look forward to.

As stated above, we have asked that each day, you drop your child off at Fairthorne Manor at 9:30am and collect them from Fairthorne at 4.00pm. This has substantially reduced the cost of the day.

The activities the children will participate in are: Kayak, Standup Paddleboards, Aerial Runway, Indoor Archery, Abseiling and Fire Lighting.

The list below is the recommended kit list given to us by Fairthorne Activity Centre.

Kit List

Please wear:

- Long Sleeved Top
- Long trousers (not $\frac{3}{4}$ length)
- A jumper (plus hat/gloves if it's really cold)
- Socks that fully cover the ankle (not trainer socks)
- Suitable footwear – trainers or walking shoes (NOT plimsolls, ballet pumps, sandals or flip flops)

Please bring with you:

- A waterproof top and bottoms
- A complete change of clothes that you can get wet in (two of the activities are on water)
- A towel
- Shoes for wearing in the water (old trainers/wet suit shoes)

- Spare underclothes and socks
- Sun hat and high protection sun cream/block
- Lunch in a plastic bag and snacks
- **Water bottle:** all taps on site provide drinking water, unless labelled otherwise
- A black bag to put dirty clothes in (please label with your child's name)

PLEASE NOTE THAT CROCS OR FLIP FLOPS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR ANY OF OUR ACTIVITIES. PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED FOOTWEAR WHICH IS FIXED TO THEIR FEET

Please complete the permission slip below, alternatively there is a consent tick box on SCOPAY. If you have any further queries regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Google Document Medical Form - <https://forms.gle/rMnLXweYyxQ6ds927>

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Terri Gawthorpe
Year 5 Learning and Progress Leader

Mr Luke Tickner
Visits Co-Ordinator